

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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February 25, 2003

FROM: KEN A. MILLER, Director
Department of Public Works – **Flood Control**

**SUBJECT: PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SPILLWAY AND DAM FOR
SAN SEVAINE BASIN NO. 5, FONTANA AND RANCHO CUCAMONGA AREA**

RECOMMENDATION: Acting as the governing body of the Flood Control District (District):

- (1) Approve plans and specifications for improvement of the Spillway and Dam for San Sevaime Basin No. 5 in the Fontana and Rancho Cucamonga Area.
- (2) Authorize the Flood Control Engineer to advertise the construction project and receive bids.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This project is part of the San Sevaime Creek Water Project which consists of the San Sevaime Creek and Etiwanda Creek and their tributaries. The creeks begin at the San Bernardino National Forest and traverse San Bernardino County approximately 10 miles to Riverside County and, ultimately, to the Santa Ana River. The San Sevaime Creek Water Project will be built in reaches and is scheduled to be completed within the next four years. Several reaches have already been constructed and additional reaches still need to be constructed to complete the system. The improvements proposed for San Sevaime Basin No. 5 include levee embankment, basin drain, and outlet and inlet spillways. The proposed work will be performed within existing District right-of-way under a publicly advertised and bid contract. The Board adopted a Negative Declaration for the entire San Sevaime Creek Water Project on October 25, 1994, and filed a Notice of Determination with the Clerk of the Board. With long-term multiple phase construction projects, the District continues to comply with the environmental regulations that were in force at the time the Negative Declaration was adopted for the entire project, as well as new regulations that have been effected since. The District received a Biological Opinion from the Federal Fish and Wildlife Service on January 31, 2003, that allows the construction for San Sevaime Basin No. 5 to proceed. Plans and specifications are on file at the District office. Board approval is required to approve plans and advertise for bids on District construction projects in accordance with Section 21061 of the California Public Contract Code.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item was reviewed by Deputy County Counsel Charles S. Scolastico on February 10, 2003 and by County Administrative Office (Tom Forster, Administrative Analyst) on February 13, 2003.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: This action to approve plans and authorize advertisement for bids has minimal financial impact. Upon receipt of a satisfactory bid, a recommendation of award of a contract will be forwarded to the Board as a separate action. The cost of construction of San Sevaime Basin No. 5 is estimated to be \$15,000,000. The project will be funded by the United States Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) in the form of a grant (\$8,665,000) and a loan (\$6,335,000). The District will have 15 years to repay the BOR loan, including interest. This loan will be repaid through future property tax revenues of this District.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): 2nd.

PRESENTER: Ken A. Miller, 387-7906.

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